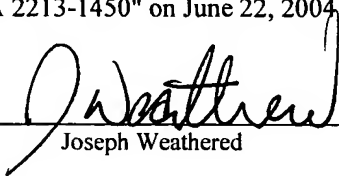




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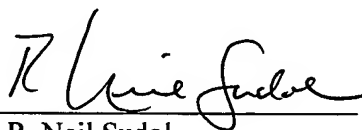
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determining the patentability of the claimed invention. If requested by the Examiner, Applicant will submit a statement of relevancy on the enclosed patent document. Applicant also requests that the Examiner return a copy of enclosed Form PTO-1449 with initials or other marks indicating that the reference has been so considered.

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